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PROTEINS OF A RAT
GANGLIOSIDE GM1-SPECIFIC
ALPHA 1→2
FUCOSYLTRANSFERASE AND
USES THEREOF

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B are being called to the attention of the Examiner. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of the references can be found in Application No. 09/298,886, filed April 23, 1999 (Attorney Docket No. 20093A-002200). It is respectfully requested that the cited references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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Applicants believe that their invention as claimed is patentable over the above references taken alone or in any combination. However, Applicants reserve the right to demonstrate that their claimed invention was made prior to any one or more of the above-identified references. No inference should be drawn as to the pertinence of the references based on the order in which they are presented.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the foregoing references to make his own determination of the patentability of the present invention and that the references be made of record in the file of this application.

Applicant believes that no fee is required for submission of this statement, since it is being submitted prior to the first Office Action. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

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